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EXECUTIVE MEMO: A former Senate aide who was accused of offering classified information to Israeli officials in 1978 has been a consultant to the Defense Department and is in line for a sensitive, full-time position at the Pentagon.

He is Stephen Bryen, who was working for the Foreign Relations Committee when the charges were made. A former lobbyist for the National Association of Arab-Americans swore in an affidavit that he overheard Bryen, in Washington's Madison Hotel, offer Israeli officials a document on Arab military bases. Bryen denied any wrongdoing, and was cleared by the FBI.